

Finance and
Business Operations Division
Procurement and Contract Services Section
Department of Executive Services

KING COUNTY INVITATION TO BID

Sealed bids for the following Contract will be received by King County at the King County Procurement and Contract Services Section (PCSS), **Contracts Counter**, 8th **Floor Exchange Building**, 821 **Second Avenue**, **Seattle WA 98104**, until the time and date stated below.

Contract Title: Carnation Wastewater Treatment Facility

Contract Number: C00036C06

Bid Due Date/Time: April 27, 2006 / 1:00PM

Cost Estimate: Schedule A \$12,500,000 & Schedule B \$1,500,000

Bids received after such date and time will not be considered. Bidders accept all risks of late delivery, regardless of fault. Bids properly received will be publicly opened and read in the PCSS conference room on the 8th Floor of the Exchange Building.

King County is not responsible for any costs incurred in response to this Invitation to Bid.

Work in this contract includes: Schedule A, the construction of a new wastewater treatment facility which includes a headworks building, concrete aeration basins and solids holding basins, a membrane bioreactor (MBR) treatment system, UV disinfection system and Operations Building; Schedule B, the construction of a new effluent conveyance line consisting of approximately 7,000 lineal feet of 12-inch HDPE conveyance line which will connect to an outfall pipe which will be mounted to the Carnation Farm Road Bridge. Location of work is 31500 West Entwistle Street Carnation. WA 98014.

A **PRE-BID CONFERENCE**: will be held at Carnation, City Hall on **April 12, 2006, at 9:00AM** to discuss the work, permit requirements and bidding forms and procedures. Attendance by bidders, subcontractors and suppliers is strongly encouraged. A site tour will be conducted immediately following the conference.

MEMBRANE EQUIPMENT CONTRACT: The County has entered into a contract with ZENON Environmental Corporation ("Zenon") to purchase a membrane equipment system for the Carnation Wastewater Treatment Facility. The contract to purchase the membrane system, may be found in Volume 4 of this ITB for reference. At the time of Contract Execution the County shall assign the Membrane Equipment Contract to the Contractor, with Zenon as a subcontractor.

Reassignment of Membrane Equipment Contract. Prior to or upon the expiration of the first year of the Warranty Period, as described in §00700, and upon the delivery of written notice by the County, the membrane equipment contract shall be deemed reassigned back to the County.

King County, which shall be binding for 180 days from the date of bid opening. King County reserves the right to reject any bid, any portion of any bid and/or to reject all bids. King County further reserves the right, but without obligation, to waive informalities and irregularities. No bid will be considered unless accompanied by a bid guaranty (certified or cashier's check, surety bond, or postal money order) payable to King County in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the Total Bid Price.

The County prefers to award both Schedule A bid items and Schedule B bid items if the lowest responsive and responsible bid is within the County's current budget. If, however, the total bid price exceeds the County's budget, the County may elect to award only Schedule A bid items in 2006

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and include an option to execute a change order for the work contained in Schedule B no later than January 31, 2007.

Contract Documents may be obtained at the Contracts Counter of the Procurement and Contract Services Section on the 8th Floor of the Exchange Building during normal business hours, Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

The following non-refundable purchase fee(s) must be received before documents will be provided: Contract Documents Fee \$150.00. ALL FEES MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE IN THE FORM OF A CHECK, MONEY ORDER OR CASHIER'S CHECK MADE PAYABLE TO KING COUNTY. NO CASH, CREDIT OR DEBIT CARDS ACCEPTED. DOCUMENTS MAY BE PICKED UP AT THE CONTRACTS COUNTER, OR SHIPPED VIA UPS GROUND C.O.D., FOR THE SHIPPING CHARGES ONLY, AT THE REQUESTOR'S EXPENSE.

This information is available in alternate formats for individuals with disabilities upon advance request by calling 206-684-1327, TTY Relay: 711.

The following identifies the types of work categories for subcontracting opportunities that may be available on this Contract and are provided only for informational purposes.

Work Categories: Site Work, Concrete, Masonry, Metals, Wood and Plastics, Doors and Windows, Finishes, Equipment, Building, Special Construction, Plumbing and Mechanical, Electrical, Instrumentation and Controls.

Refer to §00120 for full discussion of the application of the non-discrimination and affirmative action provisions to subcontracting opportunities and the other non-discrimination and affirmative action requirements the Contractor shall comply with.

APPRENTICESHIP REQUIREMENTS: King County has established a minimum Apprentice Utilization Requirement of 15% for this Contract. 15% of the Labor Hours actually performed on this project shall be worked by Apprentices. Included within the Apprentice Utilization Requirement are individual Apprentice Hiring Goals for persons with disabilities and economically disadvantaged youth. The Contractor shall be required to fully comply with the apprentice hiring requirements established for this Contract and the requirements set forth in §00120.

FEDERAL FUNDING: King County may be eligible to obtain grant money from the State Revolving Funds ("SRF") which contain EPA money administrated by Washington State Department of Ecology ("WSDOE") and/or Public Works Trust Funds for this project. Neither the United States nor any of its departments, agencies, or employees is or will be a part to this Invitation to Bid or any resulting contract.

In accordance with EPA's policy on the utilization of socially and economically disadvantaged individuals and disadvantaged business enterprises in procurement, the Contractor shall make good faith efforts to ensure to the fullest extent possible that it subcontract at least 10% of the contract value to a Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) and 6% of the contract value to a Women Business Enterprise (WBE). This procurement and any resulting contract will be subject to regulations contained in 40 Code of Federal Regulations Part 31. In order to satisfy the good faith efforts, and ensure, when possible, the participation of M/WBE firms, the Contractor shall carry out the affirmative steps stated in 40 CFR 31.36(e). Prior to King County issuing any award for this Contract, EPA will have to concur with King County's selection of the lowest responsive, responsible bidder. Refer to §00120 for further details.

All questions regarding this solicitation shall be directed to: Darren R. Chernick, Contract Specialist at 206-684-2010, TTY Relay: 711, Fax: 206-684-1486, or darren.chernick@metrokc.gov. A bidder may be asked to put a question in writing. No verbal answers by County personnel will be binding on the County. Additional information may be found at the Procurement and Contract Services Section website: http://www.metrokc.gov/procurement/rfp_rfq_itb/new.aspx

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